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1. [] - PLC) The unclassified figures on Soviet Bloc and North Vietnam trade and Soviet Bloc and U. S. trade were furnished to Mrs. Pauley, Administrative Assistant to Representative O. C. Fisher (D., Texas). Mrs. Pauley understood there would be no attribution to CIA and she would indicate the information was drawn from data from Departments of Commerce and State. The information was for a constituent, [] who is the brother of an prominent cattleman in Texas. The purpose of the request was not known by Mrs. Pauley.

2. [] LLM) Called Drury Blair, Senate Immigration and Naturalization Subcommittee, and told him we continue to strongly support the approval of the private relief bill on [] and offered to come up and brief him, if necessary. Mr. Blair said he felt they could move on the basis of my phone call and felt he did not need anything more than what we have previously provided him for the Committee report. He agreed that it would probably be well for us to hold off contact with the House side to see if the Senate acts favorably on the measure.

3. [] - LLM) John Wilson, in the office of Representative Paul McCloskey (R., Calif.), called to request a briefing on Agency activities in Vietnam and Laos for the Congressman prior to his departure to Southeast Asia next week. I alluded to previous conversations on this same subject between our respective offices. I reiterated that there is a long-standing rule laid down by our oversight committees that any such briefings be approved by the chairmen of our committees and mentioned Chairman Hebert as a point of contact for Mr. McCloskey. In response to his question on the form this permission should take, I told him the form was a congressional matter and not one for us to decide. Wilson asked for the name of the CIA contact if he gets the approval of the Chairman and I told him Mr. John Maury, Legislative Counsel.

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4. [] JGO) Met with Mr. Ralph Preston, House Appropriations Committee staff, and briefed him on ChiCom statements on Soviet border []

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5. [] JGO) Received a call from Mr. James Lowenstein, Senate Foreign Relations Committee staff, who told me that Senator Muskie "forgot" to tell the Director that he would have an additional list of questions for inclusion in the transcript. Mr. Lowenstein will call me when the questions are ready to be picked up. [] DDI, has been advised.

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6. [] JGO) I met with Mr. John Blandford, Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, and told him that Representative McCloskey's (R., Calif.) staff has contacted the office again today requesting briefing on Agency activities in Laos. The message has been relayed that clearance from the Chairman, House Armed Services Committee, is necessary for such briefings. Mr. Blandford will take care of the matter if it comes his way from the Chairman.

I also briefed Mr. Blandford on the following items: ChiCom statements on Soviet border []

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7. [] - JMM) Steve Vossmeier, in the office of Senator Thomas Eagleton, called and said the Senator would like a follow-up briefing to the one [] gave him on 9 March preparatory to his upcoming trip to Southeast Asia. He said the Senator hoped [] could give it preferably on Tuesday, 6 April, at either 1:00 or 2:00 p.m. I said I would give him an answer tomorrow.

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8. [] GLC) Met with Bill Woodruff, Counsel, Senate Appropriations Committee, and gave him a rundown on the Director's briefings of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee on 23 March and the Foreign Relations Subcommittee on Arms Control, International Law and Organization on 29 March. I also briefed him on a number of current intelligence items (see Memorandum for the Record).

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9. [] GLC) Met with Ed Braswell, Chief Counsel, Senate Armed Services Committee, and brought him up-to-date on a number of current intelligence items (see Memorandum for the Record).

I also talked to Braswell about Chairman Stennis' call to the Director asking that Jim Woolsey, of the Committee staff, be given access to certain intelligence publications and pointed out some of the problems involved in our doing this. Braswell said he appreciated these points, but indicated this matter had originated with Senator Stennis and he was not sure just what the Senator would be willing to accept. I had previously suggested alternatives like our verbal briefings, staff briefings which had previously been mentioned by Bill Woodruff and the provision of a secret version of these documents which did not contain all-source information. I told Braswell we were trying to work something out on this and would certainly be back in touch. Braswell again mentioned that Chairman Stennis is still smarting from the Secretary of Defense's refusal to provide the Chairman with a copy of Defense's five year plan.

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10. [] - GLC) Accompanied Mr. George Carver to a briefing of Senator William Saxbe (R., Ohio) who is planning to leave Sunday for a trip which will include Vietnam and Laos as well as several stops in Europe. The briefing lasted about one hour and seemed to fully satisfy the Senator's needs. Colonel McGuire, of the Air Force, will serve as Senator Saxbe's escort officer and sat in on the briefing session.

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